



City of Santa Barbara California

NOTICE CITY CLIMATE ACTION PLAN CITY COUNCIL HEARING

City Council Public Hearing

The Santa Barbara City Council is scheduled to consider adoption of the City Climate Action Plan at the Council meeting on Tuesday, September 18, 2012. The Council meeting begins at 2:00 p.m., at Council Chambers, City Hall 2nd Floor, 735 Anacapa Street at De La Guerra, Santa Barbara. Public comment is invited.

Santa Barbara Climate Action Plan

The proposed Climate Action Plan identifies strategies to reduce carbon emissions within the Santa Barbara community that contribute to global climate change (strategies include energy, travel and land use, vegetation, waste reduction, and water conservation measures), and strategies to plan for adaptation to climate change effects (e.g., sea level rise).

The Climate Plan was prepared per direction of the Santa Barbara General Plan and California Global Warming Solutions Act (AB 32), and addresses climate change issues for the period to the year 2030. A public review period on the draft Climate Plan was held from June 21-August 6, 2012.

The City staff contact for the Climate Plan is Barbara Shelton at (805) 564-5470, extension 4467, bshelton@santabarbaraca.gov; City of Santa Barbara, Community Development Department; P.O. Box 1990 / 630 Garden Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93102.

Document Availability

The Climate Action Plan and Appendix documents are available on the City web site at: http://www.santabarbaraca.gov/Resident/Major_Planning_Efforts/Climate_Action_Plan/.

The Climate Plan documents may be reviewed and limited numbers of copies or CDs obtained at the Planning Division office at 630 Garden Street (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and alternate Fridays). The documents are also available for review at the Central Branch Public Library (40 E. Anapamu St.), Eastside Branch Library (1102 Montecito St.), Montecito Branch Library (1469 East Valley Rd.), and City Clerk's Office (735 Anacapa Street).

The September 18th Council meeting agenda and staff report for this item will be available the prior Thursday afternoon, September 13th, online at www.SantaBarbaraCa.gov, and at the City Clerk's Office (735 Anacapa Street), and Central Library (40 E. Anapamu Street).

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Environmental Review

The Climate Plan is within the scope of the 2011 City General Plan update. The Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the General Plan adequately describes the activity for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). An Addendum to the EIR for the Climate Plan documents lower community carbon emissions forecasts and climate change impacts than previously identified.

If you challenge the Climate Plan approval or environmental document in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in hearing comments or written correspondence delivered to the City during the public review period.